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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6136 NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 24, 2008 **BILL NUMBER:** HB 1062 **BILL AMENDED:** Jan 17, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Architectural Salvage Material Dealers.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Day

BILL STATUS: 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - 1<sup>st</sup> House

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation</u>: (Amended) This bill prohibits an architectural salvage material dealer from purchasing or otherwise obtaining architectural salvage material: (1) from a person who is less than 18 years of age; or (2) that the dealer believes or should have reason to believe is stolen property acquired as a result of a crime.

It requires a dealer to keep a record book that contains certain information concerning architectural salvage material received by the dealer.

The bill requires a dealer to hold such material for at least five business days if the dealer receives written notice from a law enforcement agency to hold the material.

This bill allows law enforcement officers to inspect and obtain records from a dealer.

It makes it a Class A infraction for a person to violate a provision of the architectural salvage material dealers law.

The bill provides that the valuable metal dealers law applies to all ferrous metals and nonferrous metals.

Effective Date: (Amended) Upon passage; July 1, 2008.

#### **Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:** (Revised) *Penalty Provision*: There are no data available to indicate how many individuals may be convicted of violating a provision of the architectural salvage dealers law.

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If additional court cases occur and infraction judgments and court fees are collected, revenue to the state General Fund may increase. The maximum judgment for a Class A infraction is \$10,000, which is deposited in the state General Fund.

If court actions are filed and a judgment is entered, a court fee of \$70 would be assessed, 70% of which would be deposited in the state General Fund if the case is filed in a court of record or 55% if the case is filed in a city or town court. In addition, some or all of the document storage fee (\$2), automated record keeping fee (\$7), judicial salaries fee (\$17), the public defense administration fee (\$3), the court administration fee (\$3), and the judicial insurance adjustment fee (\$1) are deposited into the state General Fund.

### **Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

Explanation of Local Revenues: (Revised) *Penalty Provision* If additional court actions are filed and a judgment is entered, local governments would receive revenue from the following sources. The county general fund would receive 27% of the \$70 court fee that is assessed in a court of record. Cities and towns maintaining a law enforcement agency that prosecutes at least 50% of its ordinance violations in a court of record may receive 3% of court fees. If the case is filed in a city or town court, 20% of the court fee would be deposited in the county general fund and 25% would be deposited in the city or town general fund. Additional fees may be collected at the discretion of the judge and depending upon the particular type of case.

### **State Agencies Affected:**

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts, local law enforcement agencies.

#### **Information Sources:**

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